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In late August 1953, [redacted] Heinrich Rau, deputy minister president, had issued an instruction that 80 percent of the briquet allocations for the East German population be delivered up to 30 September 1953 and that, if necessary, these deliveries be given priority over requirements of the industries. [redacted] this instruction resulted in considerable decreases of stocks at SAG plants. [redacted] the Eisen- und Huettenwerke in Thale had only 80 tons of briquets during the last ten days in August.

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